

request(s) consideration of this IDS, and provided herewith is marked box); when the Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) and included in section 4 below (included when indicated by a fee, when 1(a)-(b) do not apply, and when a certification is filed prior to the payment of the issue

\$240.00 is enclosed, or if not see section 5 below); a marked box), or a fee of \$240.00 (a check in the amount of certified classification in section 4 below (included when indicated by a fee, this purpose, there is included herein either a \$1.311, whichever occurs first and when 1(a) does not apply. Final Rejection under § 1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under (b) when filed before the mailing date of either a

first Office Action on the merits, whichever occurs last; an international application, or before the mailing date of a filing date of the National Stage as set forth in § 1.491 in date of the present application, or within three months of the (a) when filed within three months of the filing

1. This IDS should be considered:

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Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)
UNDER § 1.97 AND § 1.98
AND CONDITIONAL PETITION REQUESTING
CONSIDERATION OF THE IDS

For: A METHOD OF AND AN APPARATUS FOR DISTRIBUTING INFORMATION, A METHOD OF AND AN APPARATUS FOR RECEIVING INFORMATION, A SYSTEM FOR DISTRIBUTING INFORMATION, AND A PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR CONDUCTING INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION

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a fee of \$130.00 (a check in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the petition fee, or if not see section 5 below).

2. When 1(a)-(c) do not apply, then it is requested that this IDS be placed in the file.

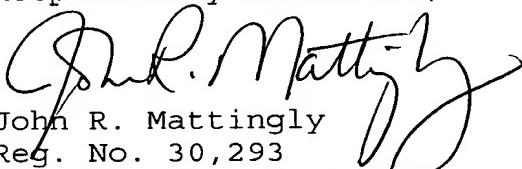
3. Listing of the information submitted is on the attached Form PTO-1449, which forms a part of this IDS. A copy of each listed document is enclosed when needed (needed for U.S. and foreign patents, publication or portion thereof listed; no copy of a U.S. patent application is needed; a copy of a document is not needed when previously submitted or previously cited by the PTO in a parent application of the present application as set forth under 35 U.S.C. § 120).

4. If a fee or additional fee is required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee or additional fee that may be required and credit any excess to Deposit Account No. 02-1540.

5. No explanation of relevancy is being provided for the documents listed in the attached PTO-1449 form, because they are discussed in the Specification and/or are in the English language.

6. If the PTO determines that part(s) of the required content is inadvertently omitted, then it is requested that the Applicant(s) be given additional time and specific identification of such omission(s) to enable full compliance.

Respectfully submitted,


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